

# Best Practices Advisory Committee

Minutes from June 5th, 2007

**Voting members present:** Carlos Andarsio, Christy Dye, Aimee Schwartz, Bob Bohanske, Teresa Bertsch, Judy Russell, Jill Fabian, Sue Davis, Tim Dunst, Tom Kelly, Penny Free Burke

**Non-Voting members present:** Bob Crouse, Dan Wynkoop, Ali De la Trinidad, Judith Pickens, Mike Shafer, Vicki Staples, Leticia D'Amore, Katie McGlynn, Michelle Skurka, Nitika Singh, Khaleel Hussaini

**Absent:** Tim Davis, Alexandra O'Hannon, Joan Grey, Valley Owen

**Welcome and Introductions:** Carlos Andarsio

## **Review of Minutes:**

- ❖ Review of meeting minutes from the April 3rd, 2007 meeting. The minutes were approved.

## **BPAC Meeting Frequency:**

- ❖ A discussion was presented to the group on how often this Committee should meet. It was decided that the BPAC will switch from monthly meetings to every other month.

## **Committee Member Replacement:**

- ❖ There were two applicants brought up for possible replacement: Sara Scalzo-Kaczmarzyk & Kathy Basher. These applicants had applied when the committee was first organized and closely resemble the membership profile represented by Trish Bleth, the resigning member. Both were consumers/former consumers, family members, and have worked in the provider community. The group decided to send out their application resumes to all voting members and then discuss and vote on them at the next meeting. Also it was agreed to contact these members to see if they are still available and interested in being members of the BPAC.

## **Subcommittee Updates:**

- ❖ Client Directed, Outcome Informed—The ADHS members of this subcommittee have been working on resolving licensing questions. Arizona is trying to arrange a Statewide user license and this is proving to be somewhat challenging. The target date for this to go live is July 1, 2007. It was reported that this license can be used by any provider on the states behalf which will be outlined in the Provider Utilization Manual and standards.
- ❖ Assessment—Carlos provided an update on this committee. He reported that the two work groups of the subcommittee are still working on the assessment process improvements. Hopefully by next meeting the group will have something

- concrete for review. He also stated that OBHL is actively involved; at this point everything looks pretty good.
- ❖ Peer Support- A presentation was done by Khaleel Hussaini and Vicki Staples representing the data currently available from our CIS system on the use of Peer Support with the substance using 18-24 population. The subcommittee would welcome feedback on the data, including how it might be more effectively displayed/presented. BPAC members were asked to take some time to review the data and provide comments back to the subcommittee by **June 25th**. Members to provide feedback to Vickie at: [Staplev@azdhs.gov](mailto:Staplev@azdhs.gov) . Next steps include developing guidance around how to efficiently and effectively provide this service and putting this data on the DBHS web site.
  - ❖ Clinical Supervision- Some materials were handed out relating to supervision in both the children and adult systems. Members were asked to review the information and email thoughts, suggestions to ADHS. It was decided to make this a standing issue in this meeting due to level of concern regarding clinical supervision. It was agreed to set aside time in the next three meetings to discuss: fidelity of supervision, confusion/conflict with the rules, and mentoring of a new workforce.

#### **Update on Innovation Zone/Demonstration Sites:**

- ❖ Leticia informed the committee that ADHS did send a solicitation letter to the RBHAs seeking responses. We received responses and made recommendations on which agencies seemed best suited for the projects. We are waiting for Procurement on a decision regarding how to proceed.

#### **SIG/Family Conference:**

- ❖ There are two conference planned and being funded thru the SIG. The Family Conference is being organized by FIC and has been scheduled for 8/29/07. A 2-day ASAM Conference will be scheduled for late September. The guest list was reviewed and feedback requested from BPAC members. More information will come as we get closer to these conferences.

#### **ADHS Web Page:**

- ❖ Right now the BPAC information is on the ADHS web page. Along with contact information, minutes will be posted to review. A copy of the page was printed from the website was handed out at this meeting.

#### **CFT Incentives:**

- ❖ DBHS is looking for ways of building incentives into the RBHA contracts, with respect to the quality of the CFT process. Christy asked the committee members to consider and make recommendations regarding how to best incentivize Best Practice around the CFT process. This topic will be scheduled for broader discussion in upcoming meetings.

**Miscellaneous Discussion:**

- ❖ Some other discussions included Dr Schwartz stating she will email a discussion topic for the next meeting. Also there is a 3 part mental health movie series coming out next month at SWBH, 7/11, 7/24, 8/7. This will include speakers and discussions about stigmas and issues within the mental health community.

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, August 7, 2007 from 1:00-3:00PM in room 215B**